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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: <u>NEVADA</u>

MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING INCOME UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT*

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METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT OF INCOME FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INCOME RELATED TO FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL

For poverty level pregnant women, infants and children eligible under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(iv), VI & VII of the Social Security Act. The agency uses the less restrictive methods for treating income:

- For all individuals under this group eligible in the immediately preceding month and for applicants whose net income without application of 100%/50% disregards does not exceed the 100% need standard:
 - 1. Disregard all earned income for three months;
 - 2. Disregard 50% of gross earnings for the next nine months;
 - 3. Disregard \$90 or 20% of gross earnings (whichever is greater) for month 13 and ongoing; and
 - 4. Disregard the full cost of child care.

OR for applicants/recipients

The \$30 + 1/3 / \$30 earnings disregards as applicable and \$90 work expense, whichever is more advantageous to the applicant/recipient.

The income and/or resource methodologies that the less restrictive methodologies replace are as follows:

- No resource methodology is replaced.
- Replaced income methodology is:
 - 1. \$30 + 1/3 earned income disregard allowed for applicants/recipients who received Medicaid in one of the immediately preceding 4 months or whose net income without application of the disregards does not exceed the 100% need standard. \$30 + 1/3 allowed for 4 consecutive months followed by \$30 disregard for 8 consecutive months; and

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- 2. \$90 work expense; and
- 3. Child care deductions limited to \$200 per month per child under age 2, and \$175 per month per child age 2 and older.

Income Exclusion for Children in the Custody of a Public Agency

The income of children will be excluded when:

- The child is in the custody of a state, county or tribal public agency, AND
- The child is placed in an approved living arrangement.

Determining Countable Lump Sum Income

Lump sum income will be considered only in the month received. Provisions requiring the determination of the ineligible period and income remaining form the calculation of the ineligible period will not be considered in determining Medicaid eligibility. (1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV) & (ii)(IX) and 1902(I)(1)(A)(D) of the Social Security Act.

* More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under section 1903(f).

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The State follows the SSI rules. The agency uses income methodologies of the SSI program as well as more liberal income deduction methodologies than the SSI Program. Any amounts indicated in the Medicaid Assistance to the Aged, Blind and Disabled Manual will not be applied.

The following are the more liberal income methodology deductions allowed by the agency:

- 1. Educational Expenses to Enhance Employability
- 2. Employment Related Interpreting Services Expenses

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